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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer who lives in San Francisco, making do with, first DSL, and then high speed cable internet. Then Sonic, this tiny upstart, brought fiber to my neighborhood last year, with gigabit service. Truly fast. And at a price that is less than I was paying for DSL or cable internet.

AT&T and Comcast were happy to charge me high prices for not-so-high speed internet. They had no interest in giving me better service, because they had no competition. Sonic showed that it could give me better speed for less money.

Without competition, I'd be stuck between a rock (AT&T) and a hard place (Comcast). This is in San Francisco! The home of internet startups! Stuck with crappy internet until Sonic shook things up. I can't imagine what it's like in places with no competition.

Please do nothing to decrease competition among internet providers. Please do everything to increase competition among internet providers. When providers compete, truly compete, for consumers' dollars, they innovate, they give you better service for less money, so that we choose them.

I oppose the USTelecom petition. We need to foster and encourage competition and increase consumer choice. The 1996 Telecommunications Act is vital. Please don't dismantle it.

Thank you,

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